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	ETCHABLE ANTI-BUCKLING LED-SHEET STENT	)	

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Dear Sir/Madam:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed December 3, 2001, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows:

# IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 17, 32, and 41 without prejudice, and amend claims 1, 16, 31, 33, and

44 to the following:

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## **RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Dear Sir/Madam:

In response to the Office Action mailed June 27, 2002, Applicants submit that the Request for Continued Examination ("RCE") filed on June 3, 2002 was accompanied by a submission as required by 37 C.F.R.1.114, and, therefore, that examination of this application should resume.

Specifically, Applicants requested in the RCE, a copy of which is attached, that the Patent Office consider an Amendment previously filed on April 1, 2002. A copy of this Amendment is also attached, along with the postcard, which indicates that the Amendment was received by the Patent

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Office on April 12, 2002. This Amendment, although received by the Patent Office, has not been considered, and therefore qualifies as a submission under 37 C.F.R. 1.114(c).

Thus, Applicants' RCE filed on June 3, 2002 was proper, and the Patent Office should withdraw its indication that the RCE was improper. Accordingly, reconsideration and further examination of the application is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: July 24, 2002

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